

ABSTRACT

WA-I-296

19th Century

Hammerman Farm.
Hagerstown Vicinity
private

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WA-I-296
District 13
Map 23
Parcel 113MACI # 2205706435
600

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAMEHISTORIC
Schley's FordingAND/OR COMMON
Hammerman Farm**2 LOCATION**STREET & NUMBER
Spade Road east of the Conococheague CreekCITY, TOWN
West of Hagerstown☒ VICINITY OF Hagerstown

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE
MarylandCOUNTY
Washington**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT
☒ BUILDING(S)
☐ STRUCTURE
☐ SITE
☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC
☒ PRIVATE
☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED
☐ UNOCCUPIED
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
☐ YES: RESTRICTED
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED
☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☒ AGRICULTURE
☐ COMMERCIAL
☐ EDUCATIONAL
☐ ENTERTAINMENT
☐ GOVERNMENT
☐ INDUSTRIAL
☐ MILITARY
☐ MUSEUM
☐ PARK
☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
☐ RELIGIOUS
☐ SCIENTIFIC
☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**NAME
Murray F. Hammerman

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER
11509 W. Hill DriveCITY, TOWN
Rockville

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code
Maryland 20852**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Washington County Court HouseLiber #: 638
Folio #: 406STREET & NUMBER
West Washington StreetCITY, TOWN
HagerstownSTATE
Maryland 21740**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

| CONDITION | | CHECK ONE | CHECK ONE |
|--|---------------------------------------|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT | <input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED | <input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD | <input type="checkbox"/> RUINS | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED < 50% | <input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FAIR | <input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED | | |

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This farm complex is located at the end of Spade Road just east of the Conococheague Creek, west of Hagerstown in Washington County, Maryland. The house and barn stand on high ground above the creek and face south.

The house is a two story, three bay structure sheathed with composition siding and resting on limestone foundations. Thickness of the walls at the door and window jambs suggests that the building is of log construction. Double porches which are not included under the main roof span extend along the front and rear elevations of the house.

Windows and doors are not arranged symmetrically in the walls. The upper story windows appear to be larger than those at the first story which may suggest that the second story was added or enlarged. Windows which were observed have single pane double hung sashes with plain casing having flat top pieces with a back band. Main entrances are located at the east and west ends of the front elevation. They are trimmed similarly to the windows. An entrance is also located in the center bay of the south elevation at the second story level.

The roof is sheathed with corrugated sheet metal and extends beyond the end walls of the house. A rather large brick chimney extends from the center of the house.

Southwest of the house is a frame bank barn set on fieldstone foundations. Various sheds and outbuildings are located nearby.

South of the barn is a depression in the ground, apparently an old road bed, a continuation of Spade Road leading toward the Conococheague Creek. Presumably, what is known as Spade Road today crossed the creek at a place called Schley's Ford. East of the house is evidence of another road which ran in a northerly direction from Spade Road.

The buildings appear to be in good condition and stand on a tract containing 138.55 acres.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

| PERIOD | | AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW | | | |
|---|--|--|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC | <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING | <input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499 | <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC | <input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION | <input type="checkbox"/> LAW | <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS | <input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE | <input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION | <input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY | <input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN | |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899 | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE | <input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY | <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1900- | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS | <input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY | <input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) | |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION | | | |

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATAACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 138.55 acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant

ORGANIZATION

Washington County Historical Sites Survey

DATE

June 1977

STREET & NUMBER

County Office Building, 33 West Washington Street

TELEPHONE

791-3065

CITY OR TOWN

Hagerstown

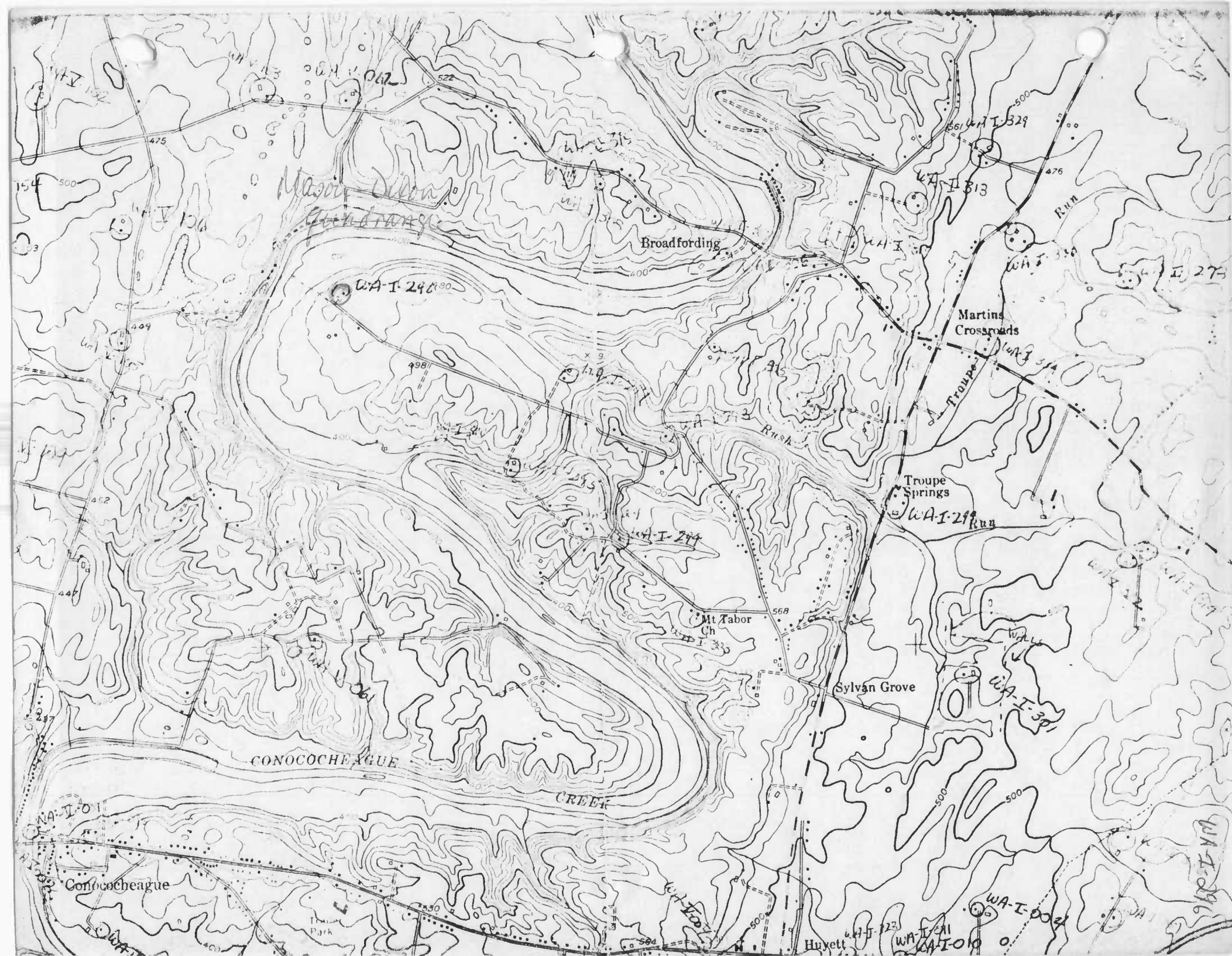
STATE

Maryland 21740

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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6th Feb

8pm

10th Feb

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